

REMARKS

By this Amendment, claims 12-35 are canceled, without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter found therein. Accordingly, claims 1-3, 5-11 and 36 are pending in this application. No new matter is added. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Applicants appreciate that the Office Action indicates that claims 1-3, 5-11 and 36 are allowed.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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